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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of Three (3) month(s) to file a Response in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Response to the mailed March 22, 2004 from June 22, 2004, up to and including September 22, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, an extension fee of \$475.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application is required. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 18396/1140. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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